

# ACTS 11



<sup>1</sup>The apostles and the brothers throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God.



<sup>2</sup>So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him <sup>3</sup>and said, "You went into the house of uncircumcised men and ate with them."

**untold secrets**



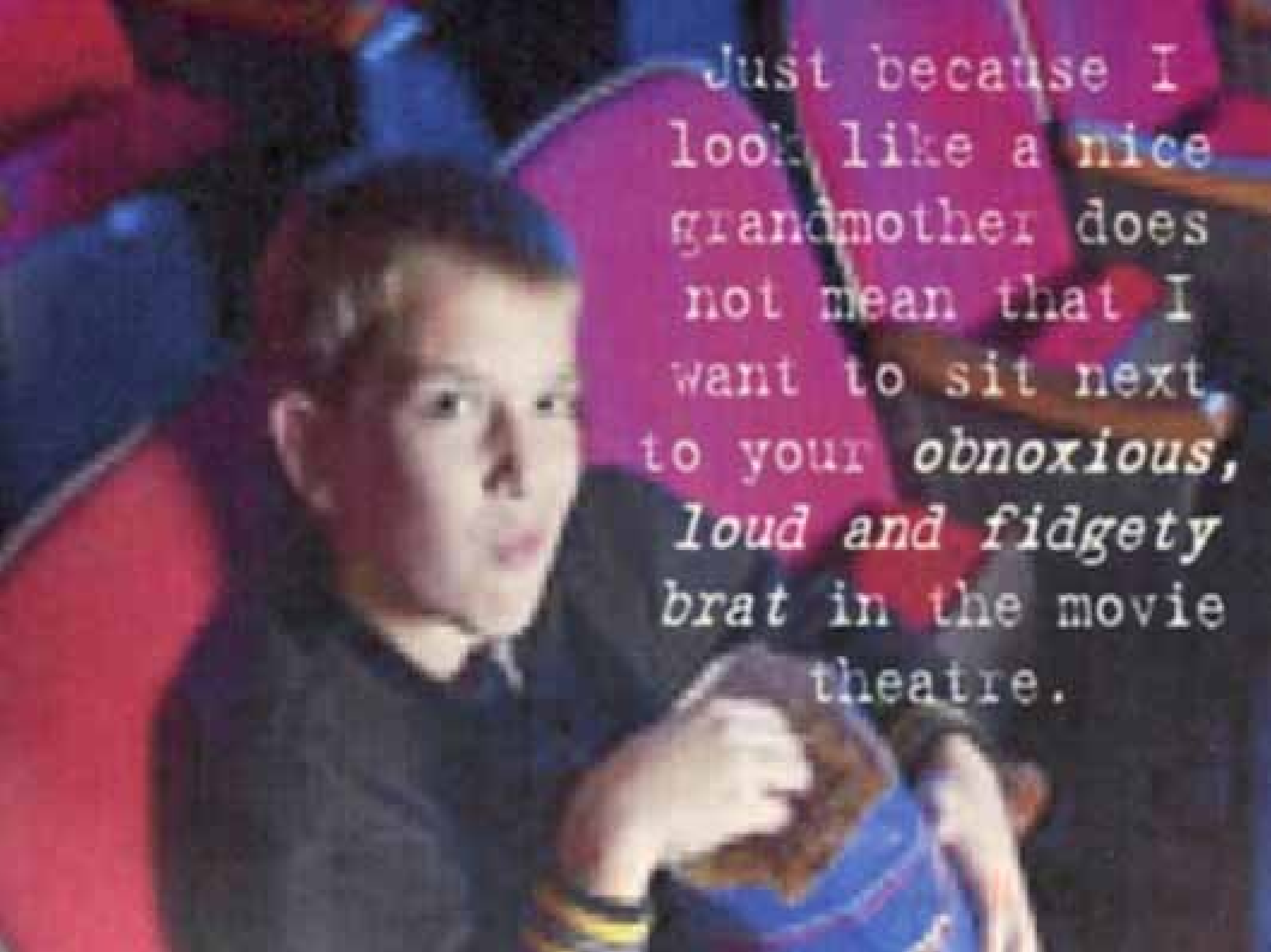
The first night

with my black

I shared a room

roommate I locked my suitcase.





Just because I  
look like a nice  
grandmother does  
not mean that I  
want to sit next  
to your *obnoxious,*  
*loud and fidgety*  
*brat* in the movie  
theatre.



**a culture  
of division**







**set apart**

**an attitude of  
arrogance**



**superiority**

**rejection**



**set apart**





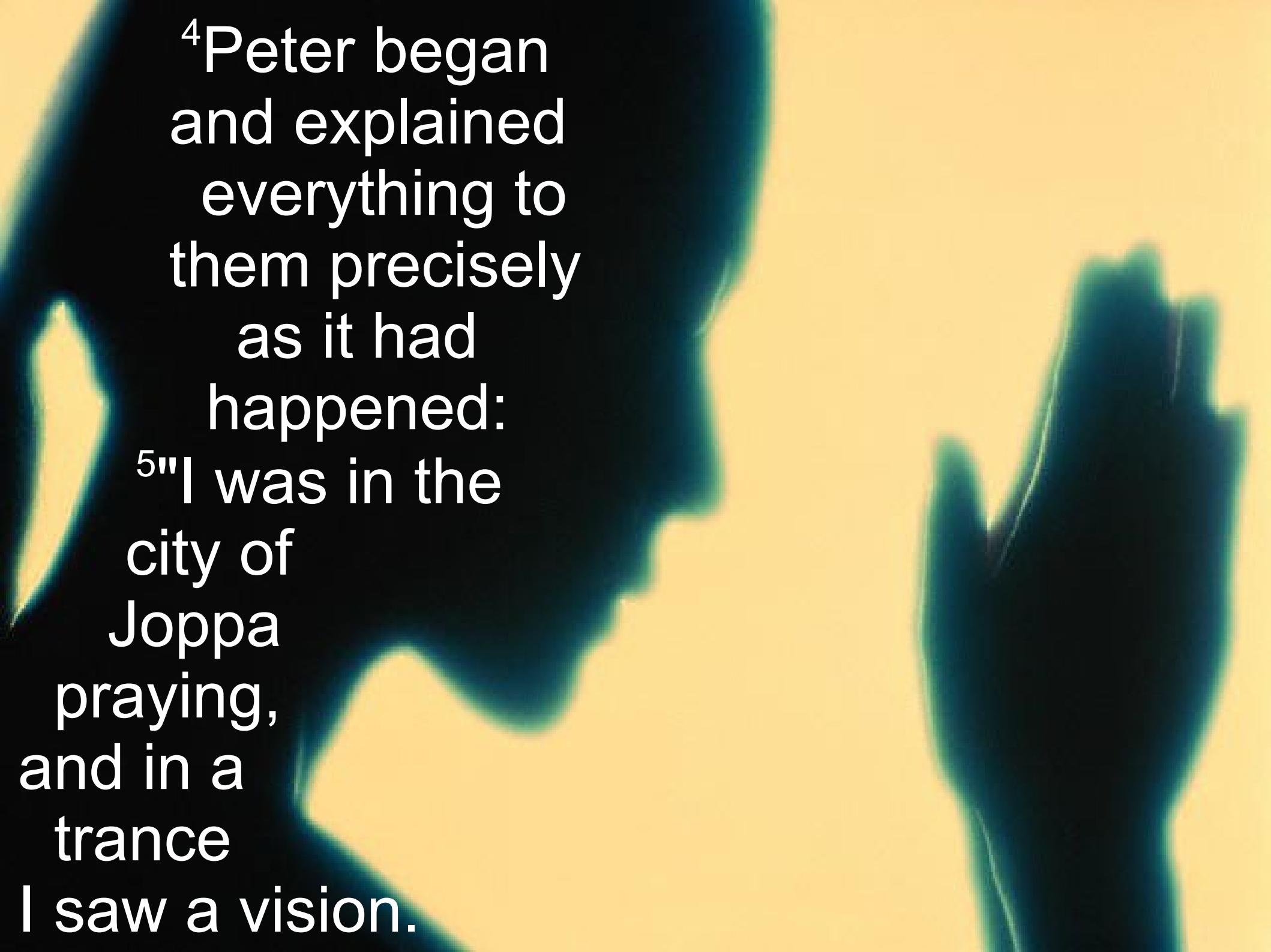










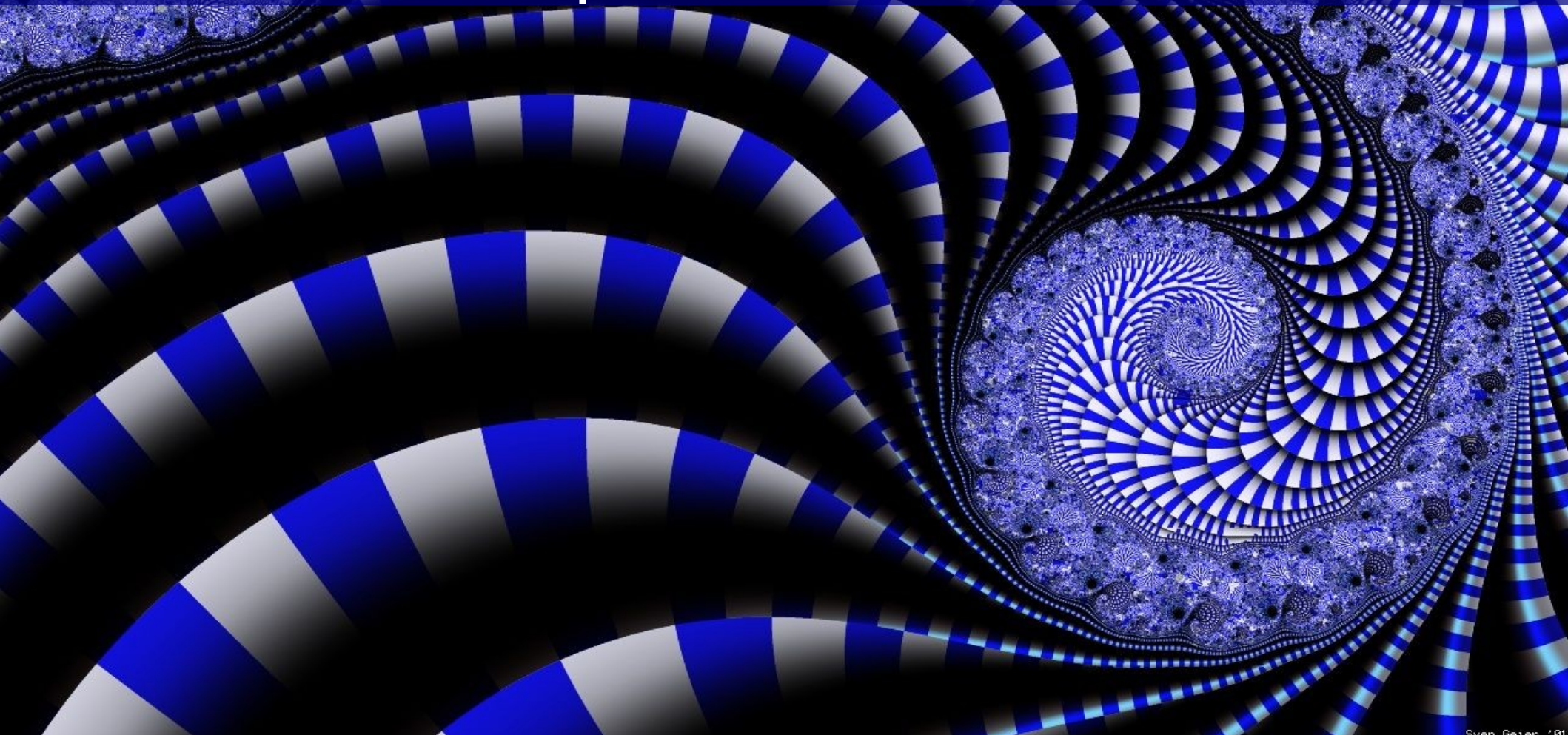
A silhouette of a person's head and hand is visible against a solid yellow background. The head is on the left, facing right, and the hand is on the right, with fingers slightly spread. The silhouette is dark, possibly black or dark blue.

<sup>4</sup>Peter began  
and explained  
everything to  
them precisely  
as it had  
happened:

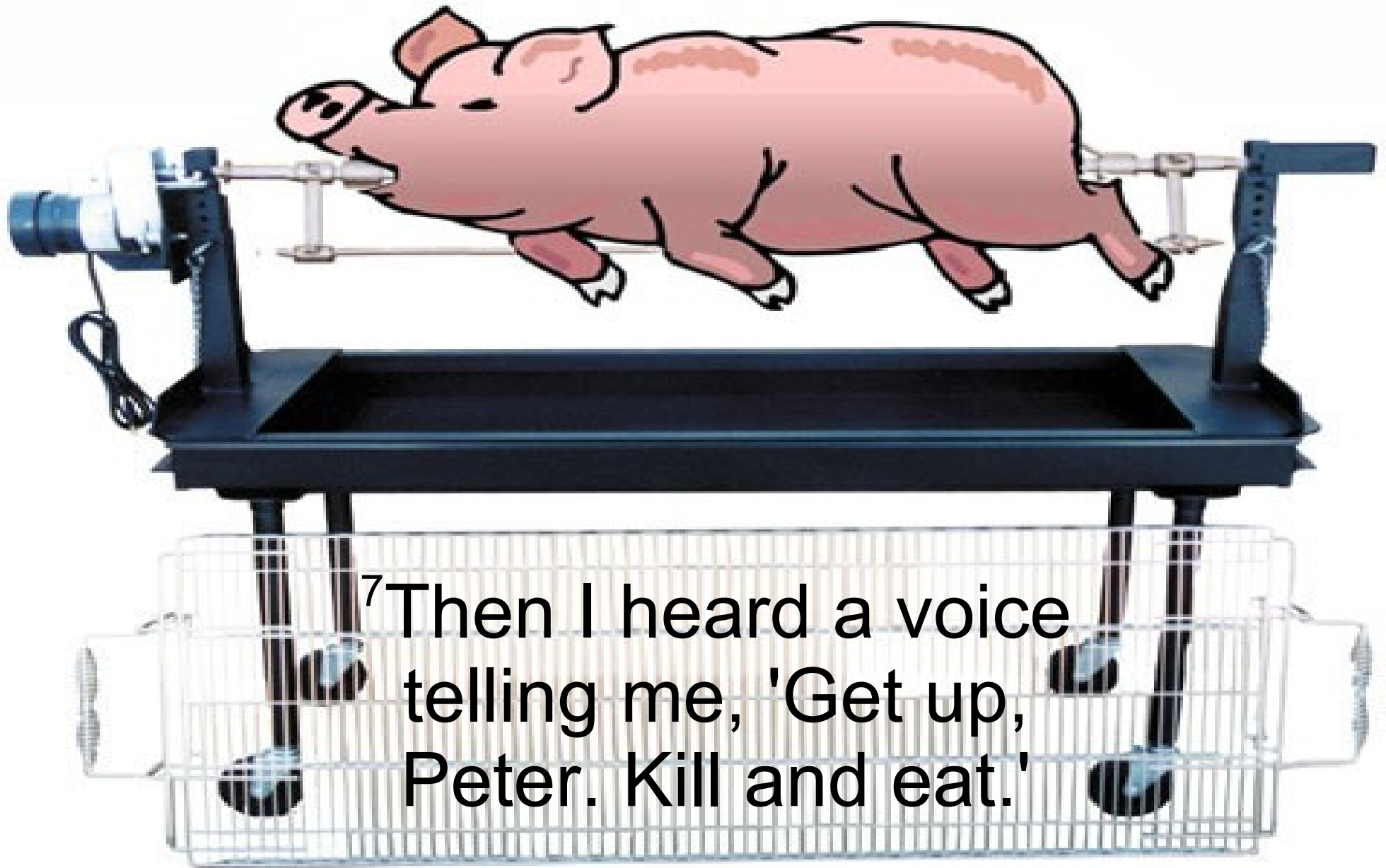
<sup>5</sup>"I was in the  
city of  
Joppa  
praying,  
and in a  
trance  
I saw a vision.



I saw something like a large sheet being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to where I was. <sup>6</sup>I looked into it and saw four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, reptiles, and birds of the air.







<sup>7</sup>Then I heard a voice  
telling me, 'Get up,  
Peter. Kill and eat.'



<sup>8</sup>"I replied, 'Surely not, Lord! Nothing impure or unclean has ever entered my mouth.'

<sup>9</sup>"The voice spoke from heaven a second time, 'Do not call anything impure that God has made clean.'  
<sup>10</sup>This happened three times, and then it was all pulled up to heaven again.







<sup>11</sup>"Right then three men who had been sent to me from Caesarea stopped at the house where I was staying.





<sup>12</sup>The Spirit told me to have no hesitation about going with them. These six brothers also went with me, and we entered the man's house.



<sup>13</sup>He told us how he had seen an angel appear in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa for Simon who is called Peter. <sup>14</sup>He will bring you a message through which you and all your household will be saved.'

<sup>15</sup>"As I began  
to speak,

the Holy  
Spirit came  
on them as  
he had come  
on us at the  
beginning.





<sup>16</sup>Then I remembered what the Lord had said: 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.'

<sup>17</sup>So if God gave them the same gift as he gave us, who believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I to think that I could oppose God?"







<sup>18</sup>When they heard this, they had no further objections and praised God, saying, "So then, God has granted even the Gentiles repentance unto life."

We Need HUMILITY to...

Understand that we  
can not grasp  
all that God is doing  
or going to do.





We must  
**RESPOND TO GOD**

despite our history

and allow God to  
change our attitudes

God is moving us from a  
attitude of Separation  
to a  
attitude of Belonging



**set apart**

